

REMARKS

Claims 1-6 and 9-18 are currently pending in the application. Independent claims 1, 6, and 9-12 have been amended.

In the Office Action at page 2, claims 1-12, 2, 14, 16, 18, and 19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,829,430 to Ashizaki et al. (Ashizaki) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,173,407 to Yoon et al. (Yoon).

Ashizaki is directed to an image recording apparatus that can obtain train of parallax images to use for preparing a holographic stereogram, without the necessity of laying rails. The apparatus comprises a camera and a position data recording section. The camera takes pictures of an object, and the position data recording section records position data when the camera takes pictures of an object.

Yoon is directed to a method of authenticating and charging a client using a web infoshop service system comprising transmitting protocol address information from the service system to the client when the client accesses the service system and selects a protocol access, amongst other operations. According to Yoon, the web infoshop service system calculates a fee charged to the user for using the services of the charged content provider through a point-to-point protocol connection and sends the charging information to the telephone network and Internet matching equipment.

As recited in currently amended independent claim 1, for example, in the present invention, fee information is provided according to inserted and edited files. For example, in at least one embodiment of the invention, the accounting program (element 15 in FIG. 1) refers to charges for the uses of files "AA.mov" and "AA.wav" inserted and edited by the editing program 13 based on the fees of the objective contents acquired by the acquiring program 12.

On page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner acknowledges that Ashizaki fails to disclose fee information that corresponds to data. Applicants respectfully submit that as Ashizaki does not disclose fee information that corresponds to data, Ashizaki does not teach or suggest fee information provided according to inserted and edit files.

Applicants respectfully submit that in contrast to the present invention, Yoon does not provide fee information according to inserted and edited files. Rather Yoon simply discloses calculation of a fee charged to the user for using services of the charged content provider.

Therefore, independent claims 1, 6, and 9-12 are patentable over the references, as neither Ashizaki nor Yoon, alone or in combination, teaches or suggests fee information provided according to inserted and edited files.

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As Rhoads does not add any relevant information to Ashizaki, claims 13, 15, and 17, via independent claims 1, 11, and 9, respectively, are patentable over the references for at least the reasons presented for the independent claims.

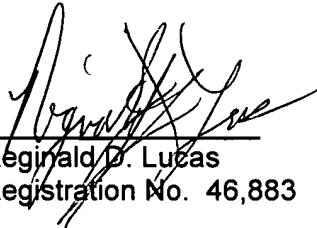
There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of the Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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